



# BACKGROUNDER CentrePort Canada Rail Park

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- <u>CentrePort Canada Rail Park</u> is a 665-acre industrial development in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada a major Canadian city near the longitudinal center of the continent and strategically located at the hub of international trading corridors.
- The rail-served industrial space with logistics infrastructure is within <u>CentrePort Canada</u> North America's largest trimodal inland port and Foreign Trade Zone at 20,000 acres.
- The project will be developed by <u>Focus Equities Inc.</u>, a corporation of 50 years that has build-to-suit experience with Fortune 500 companies such as IKEA, Walmart, Loblaws, and industrial companies such as Worley Parsons, Kuehne + Nagel, and Canadian Freightways.
- The Rail Park is unique to the Canadian marketplace as it combines industrial space with logistics infrastructure, and with its geographic location at the center of North America, is ideally suited for companies serving regional, national and global clients.
- Rail Park construction is set to begin this summer.

## **Stability and Opportunity**

- The Government of Manitoba has heavily invested in transportation infrastructure at and around CentrePort Canada. Today, **Premier Heather Stefanson** <u>announced</u> her support for the Rail Park development.
- Manitoba has a diverse economy and a keen, affordable workforce. The Rail Park is expected to create thousands of direct and indirect jobs.

## **Location**

- The Rail Park lands and CentrePort Canada are in the Rural Municipality of Rosser, Manitoba, Canada in the Winnipeg Metro Region.
- Within federal rail interswitching zones for access to **three Class I** carriers from the site (CP, CN and BNSF).
- If approved by the U.S. regulator, Canadian Pacific Railway's recent acquisition of Kansas City Southern will make it the **first single-line railway in North America** to stretch across Canada, the U.S., and Mexico. The Rail Park is located south of the Canadian Pacific Carberry Subdivision (CP's main east-west line across Canada).
- Some of Canada's largest **trucking** carriers are located at CentrePort Canada, which was established in 2008.
- The city is close to an interstate at the Canada-U.S. border and the TransCanada Highway.
- More than **4,200 cargo flights** take place per year at <u>Winnipeg Richardson International Airport</u> (YWG), located within the inland port.
- The Rail Park is situated between two expressways to facilitate rapid cross docking between trucks and rail activities.

#### **Rail Park Features**

- Lots from 6.9 to 46.5+ acres, lots can be combined
- Fully-serviced
- Zoned I3 (heavy industrial) optional light industrial
- Located south of the Canadian Pacific Carberry Subdivision (CP's main east-west line across Canada)
- Access to \$1 billion in supporting highway infrastructure; interstate-quality highways on both east and west sides of the park, allowing for 5 mins to 90 km/55 mph
- Increased efficiency with the intersection of trimodal transportation, allowing goods to move seamlessly between rail, truck and air cargo
- Dedicated planning resource to expedite the land development approval process available (Inland Port Special Planning Area)

**Focus Equities Inc.**, a Canadian corporation, provides development, investment and project finances in real estate and infrastructure. Founded over 50 years ago by a Canadian entrepreneur Kenneth W. Mariash, Sr., a graduate architect, MBA, BComm, BSc., Focus Equities Inc. ("Focus") and its associated companies have developed, purchased or sold millions of square feet of real estate and thousands of residential/condominium units in North America. Focus Equities Inc. is currently developing projects in North America valued at more than US\$ 5 billion and has a long track record of successful innovative financial structures. <u>www.focusequities.com</u>

Notable real estate development projects include:

- 800-acre Aurum Energy Park: Edmonton, AB
- 15 tower Bayview Place: Victoria, BC
- 370-acre Deerfoot Meadows: Calgary, AB
- Mile long Meadows Mile luxury auto & office park: Calgary, AB

<u>CentrePort Canada</u> is Manitoba's 20,000-acre inland port and Foreign Trade Zone. Established in 2008, it is the largest trimodal inland port in North America, with over 2,000 acres in active development. Located in the heart of North America, CentrePort connects to major national and international trade gateways and corridors and is the only inland port in Canada with direct access to trimodal transportation – truck, rail, and air cargo. <u>www.centreportcanada.ca</u>

## For media use:

## Backgrounder, maps, photos: <u>https://bit.ly/CentrePortCanadaRailPark</u>

Video by Ken Mariash on the opportunity at Winnipeg and Rail Park: https://vimeo.com/555929323

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